

**JOINT BOARD MEETING
EXAMINING BOARD OF SOCIAL WORKERS, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY
THERAPISTS AND PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS
TELECONFERENCE CALL MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 27, 2002**

PRESENT: Peter Fabian, LaMarr Franklin, Lynn Gauger, Susan Kell, Douglas Knight, Anne Marie Rathburn, Jennifer Borup, George Kamps

EXCUSED: Linda Schwallie, Colleen James, Susan Putra, Crystal Berg

STAFF PRESENT: Kimberly Nania, Ph.D., Bureau Director; John Schweitzer, Legal Counsel; Pamela Meicher, Program Assistant

GUESTS: Linda A Hall, WAFCA; Mark Herstand, NASW, Nicola Wolfe, NASW

CALL TO ORDER

Kimberly Nania called the meeting to order at 1:07 p.m. after determining that a quorum was present.

AGENDA

MOTION: George Kamps moved, seconded by Jennifer Borup, to adopt the agenda as published. Motion carried unanimously.

**DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED RULES ACT 80; LANGUAGE FOR AODA RULE AND
PSYCHOMETRIC TESTING**

John Schweitzer, Legal Counsel, led the discussion on how the Board can go forward with Act 80, based on objections to the language. John Schweitzer needs to advise the Assembly Committee if the Board plans to go forward.

Last week Representative Greg Underheim had a conference call with Peter Fabian, Lynn Gauger, Douglas Knight and John Schweitzer, to discuss this issue. Based on that conversation, it is recommended that the language for AODA be removed or Act 80 may not pass.

John Schweitzer discussed three options the Board could go forward with. Option one is no change in the language and the rules would not go into effect November 1, 2002. Option two is to withdraw the AODA language from the Act. Option three is to support the NASW proposal in which no report of requirements is necessary from November 1, 2002 to July 1, 2003.

The Board discussed these options.

MOTION: Peter Fabian moved, seconded by Susan Kell, to remove from the rules section of AODA as a specialty so that the rest of the rules may go forward for promulgation. A vote was taken with seven ayes, Douglas Knight abstained. Motion passed.

MOTION: Jennifer Borup moved, seconded by George Kamps, to authorize a scope statement for a rule alternative on language for AODA. Motion carried unanimously.

John Schweitzer explained the proposed language regarding psychometric testing agreed to by the Psychology Examining Board

MOTION: Jennifer Borup moved, seconded by George Kamps, to accept the proposed Psychometric language as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

John Schweitzer will disseminate the Board's decision on the AODA language to Representatives Underheim and Robson, and to the Clearing house. A cover letter will state that in the interest of the protection of the public and to implement the legislative intent of Section 35 of Act 80, the Board will initiate a separate rule process to create the alternative.

Peter Fabian, Lynn Gauger, Douglas Knight and Jennifer Borup will meet as a delegation to address how the Board should prepare for a meeting with Representative Greg Underheim.

A teleconference call will be scheduled on October 16, 2002, during the Social Worker Section meeting if required.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Douglas Knight moved, seconded by Jennifer Borup, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.